

## REMARKS

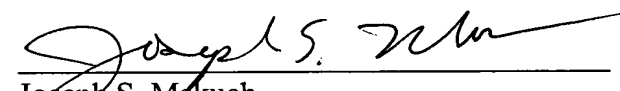
Claims 2-5, 10-12, 19-20, 22-23, 25-27, and 29-31 are cancelled without prejudice for further prosecution in a continuation application.

Claims 6-9, 13-18, 21 and 24 are allowed. Claim 28 has been rewritten in independent form and is now allowable.

Applicant requests reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGER JOHNSON & McCOLLOM, P.C.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph S. Makuch  
Reg. No. 39,286

MARGER JOHNSON & McCOLLOM, P.C.  
1030 SW Morrison Street  
Portland, OR 97205  
(503) 222-3613